How NRCS Helps the Small Acreage Owner

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NRCS provides assistance to all landowners that might have a natural resource problem. Assistance includes doing a resource inventory of the acreage, identifying potential and existing problem areas, and developing a plan to solve the problem, and meet the owner's objectives.

Most small acreage owners are interested in increasing wildlife habitat, planting prairie grasses and wildflowers, and establishing pastures for various livestock. Erosion problems that usually occur include streambank erosion, gully erosion and sediment deposits.

Dallas County has approximately 10,000 landowners that own between 5 and 40 acres so the demand for help is great. Working with small acreage owners is very rewarding. The landowners are diverse with varying goals and objectives.